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1. The Mitterbacher firm has recently been cutting up railway cars for scrap on order of the Russians.
2. On November 22, 1947 up to 624 cars, of which at least 120 were repairable, had been cut up. Of this total of 624 cars, 470 were freight cars, 71 passenger cars, and 39 were tank cars.
3. Austrian trucks of proved Austrian origin are not normally included, but German, French, Belgian, Italian, and Romanian trucks have been cut up for scrap.
4. These operations were ordered by the Russians despite a prior affirmation that only cars which were either burned out or beyond repair would be scrapped.

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